



SSRC MSW Manager/Board Minutes

April 10, 2014, Hingham DPW

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Attendance: **Abington:** Sharon White*, Lorraine Mavrogeorge; **Cohasset:** Merle Brown*, Mary Snow*; **Hingham:** Steven Messinger*, Randy Sylvester*, Brenda Black; **Kingston:** Gene Wyatt*; **Rockland:** Rudy Childs*; **Scituate:** Kevin Cafferty*

Janine Delaney, Ellie Donovan, **MassDEP**; Claire Sullivan Galkowski, **SSRC**

*appointed Board representatives

9:25 Chairman Cafferty call to order

Patrick Manning, David Quelle, **Materials Management Group**: new facility in Worcester. DQ is remediation specialist. PM was with Gypsum Recycling America until parent company withdrew from US. MMG is permitted to accept 250 TPD of source separated carpet, gypsum wallboard, and asphalt shingles.

Construction (new) wallboard was banned from disposal in Mass. in 2011. Is dense, nontoxic, infinitely recyclable into new wallboard, cement, agricultural product - can spread on fields, adds sulfates, improved drainage. Used to treat heavy metal-contaminated soils, binds it up, non-leaching. Paper facing is blended with wood chips, animal bedding; biomass plants; food waste compost. Blow in insulation.

In landfills gypsum causes odor problems due to H₂S emission. In WTE it causes problems in stacks. Heavy, will be snuck into trash if not accepted at facilities. 55K TPY gypsum from new construction in Mass. is disposed.

Gypsum sent to C&D processors ends up at MMG. Tip fee \$60/ton plus haul. Would do milk run to collect on South Shore. Must stay dry to recycle. Can take non-residential demo gypsum if certified lead and asbestos free. Blueboard, fire rated, fiberglass faced all accepted.

USG and other manufacturers have switched to using residuals, recycled, power plant fly ash waste.

MMG can remove contaminants, surcharge if too much (10% is too high, 4% is good).

Need a covered container to keep dry. Slide top roof, or hinged at both ends, Tarp or Gable top.

MMG partners with shingle company, \$70/ton delivered. Indoor tip floor, scales, on rail line. Have a tire recycler in bldg, makes TDF. Charge \$1-2/tire.

Carpet? Technologies are primitive, but advancing. PET: nylon::50:50. Nylon is more easily recycled, has value. Not easy to identify. NJ and GA have mills. Carpet tiles have vinyl backing that is recyclable. Would need to be tested, must be dry.

Approve **February minutes** (vote) Ms. White moved to accept as written, Mr.. Brown seconded, Aif

March Event review , feedback: turnout (70), food, hall, event, centerpieces were excellent. Ms. White declared "Speakers, organization were outstanding. I am proud to be a member of SSRC".

Kingston TS tour: Mr. Basler did a terrific job, turnout of about 45 was more than expected. Annual? Invite people from other towns. Pick a theme. Make more like a trade show. Got TMs, selectmen. Schools? Not enough overlap.

We didn't use any of the money from budget. Fully funded by sponsors.

Ms. Donovan noted that at the recent MassRecycle conference a few people told her that SSRC is the best regional recycling group in the state.

Grant video project report: Mr. Brown gave announcement of \$1000 funding for winning video proposal to TV producer, brought to school. Ms. Black sent out announcement, response deadline is tomorrow. Hingham cable guy expressed interested. If extension, need to go through someone other than Brenda- Ms. Donovan can help. HCAM.

Plan B? Cable stations can scroll PPP slides. Hire someone to produce and submit to local cable stations. WATD, 88.3 Rockland Public service announcements/ads already recorded. Reusable bags (MyEco?)- had most support, Ms. Galkowski. Sullivan will investigate options.

Curbside cart considerations (Sharon White, Greg Smith, Bob O'Connor-invited) TABLE

Book recycling updates (poll): Abington signed with BHB, hasn't heard from Got Books trustee regarding reimbursement.

Hingham signed with BHB.

Neither Scituate nor Cohasset have containers yet, will consider BHB. BHB has various sizes. 781-784-0813.

Halifax, Coh too, Scit, Dux have book swaps. Scituate's gets messy.

2014 SMRP grants- Janine Delaney: DEP sponsors MassRecycle membership for one muni rep/town,

Grants are coming out, need to file Data surveys for past 2 years. New items: Dropoff towns can get \$10/HH for new PAYT; **recycling dividends** program, similar to MRIP, provides funding based on program that is in place, HH served. Braintree is getting \$6K, can roll year to year. Use money for Equipment, outreach, bins, staff, organics collection and processing, public space containers, balers, compactors, replacement of equipment, HHW events, DTM, swap shop. Go to a grant session in the next month. Ms. Sullivan will post grant guidance link on website.

Executive Director's Report:

Paint legislation – read article in 4/7 newsletter, get support from Selectboards. Will save munis thousands of dollars in HHW and disposal costs.

Data- still available to help submit DEP Data Surveys required to apply for grants.

IMA at Town Meetings- should be on all warrants.

Should I spend time doing public event outreach? Valuable, do it with Janine.

New business: Ms. Black: Refoamit charges \$250/event, monthly regional collections? After Christmas? May not be worth it. Very low density, long haul to Fitchburg. Portable trailer to condense EPS? Ms Galkowski will look into. Plastic bag issue? Use Grant money for reusable bags. Sell at transfer stations. Locally made Lowell, Janine knows, sell for cost at RTS's.

Next meeting: May 22, Duxbury

Adjourn at 11:05.